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- ☒ 5. Relevance of the non-English language references are discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 6. English-language Abstracts JP-A-11-17773 and JP-A-10-23101 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 7. U.S. Patent 5,983,301 corresponds to JP-A-10-40211.
- ☒ 8. The Examiner's attention is directed to co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/425,244, filed October 25, 1999; 09/426,588 filed October 25, 1999; Attorney Docket # 106384 entitled Data Transfer Control Device and Electronic Equipment, filed June 23, 2000, Inventor Name Takuya ISHIDA; and Attorney Docket #106379 entitled Data Transfer Control Device and Electronic Equipment filed June 23, 2000, Inventor Name Takuya ISHIDA which is directed to related technical subject matter. The identification of this U.S. Patent Application is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to that application now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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	"Real-Time Transfer Modes and Multimedia-Capable Protocols for IEEE 1394-1995 (FireWire)" ( <i>Interface</i> , January 1997, pages 136-146)

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